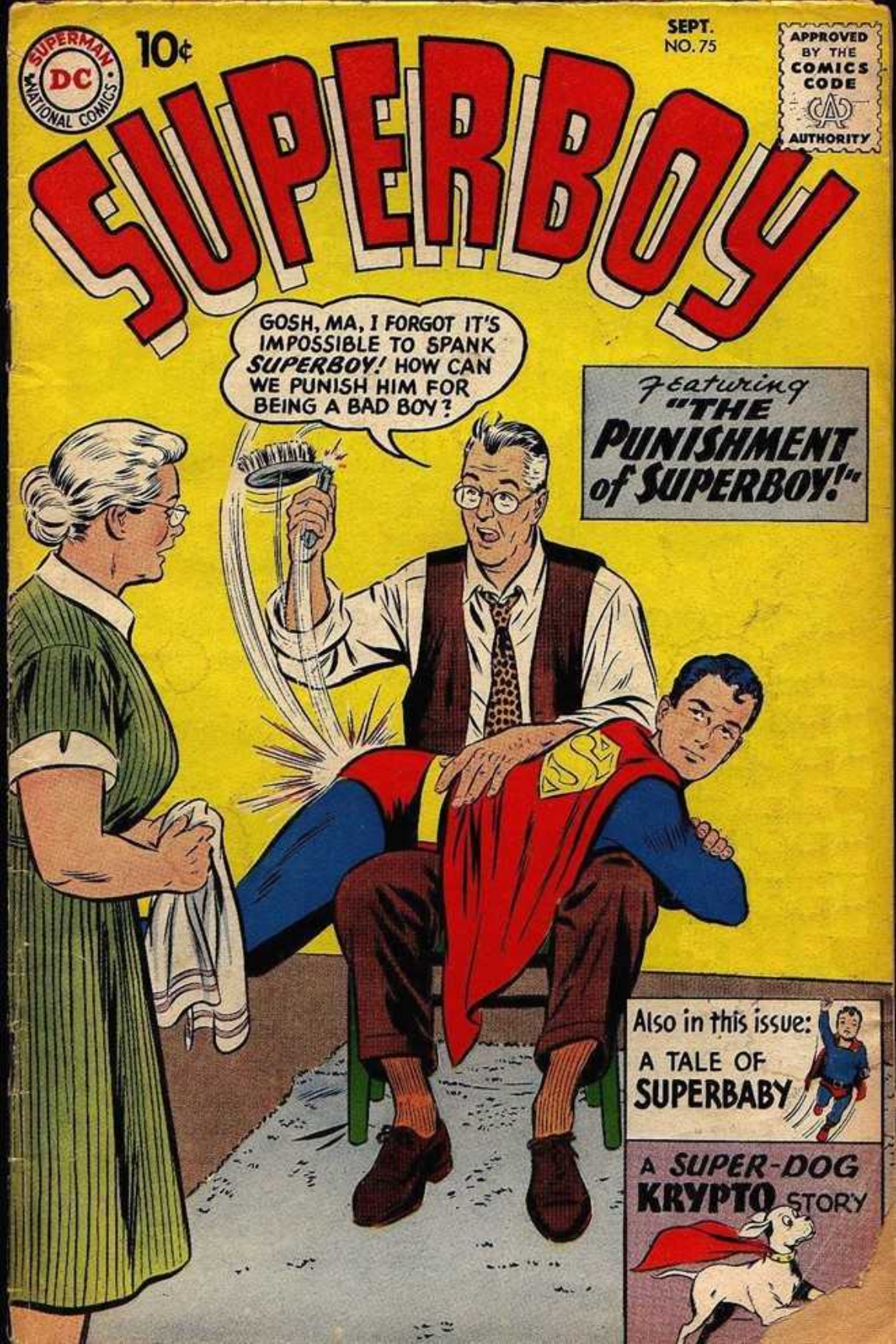
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AN UNTOLD TALE OF SUPERBOY

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED ABOUT **SUPERBOY'S** EARLY LIFE, IN BETWEEN THE TIME HE WAS **SUPER-BABY** AND A TEEN-AGER? FOR INSTANCE, WHAT HAPPENED WHEN HE TURNED SIX YEARS OLD? HOW DID HIS FOSTER PARENTS, MOM AND DAD KENT, TRAIN THEIR **SUPERTOT** TO CONCEAL HIS SUPER-POWERS? DID THE **CHILD OF STEEL** OPENLY PERFORM ANY SUPER-FEATS? THE AMAZING... AND AMUSING... ANSWERS WILL UNFOLD IN THIS UNTOLD TALE OF...

SUPERBOY'S FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL!

SCHOOL AQUARIUM

GOOD HEAVENS! IF THE TEACHER TURNS AND SEES MY SON CLARK HOLDING THOSE **ELECTRIC EELS,** WITHOUT HARM, SHE WILL KNOW HE HAS SUPER-POWERS!

HEE! HEE! IT TICKLES!

ELECTRIC EELS

ONE MORNING, AS CLARK KENT CALLS FOR LANA LANG ON HIS WAY TO SMALLVILLE HIGH...

COMING, LANA? I'LL CARRY YOUR SCHOOL BAG THAT YOU LEFT ON THE PORCH!

I TRICKED YOU, CLARK! I SECRETLY PUT IN HEAVY **IRON WEIGHTS,** NOT MY BOOKS! ONLY A BOY WITH **SUPER-STRENGTH** COULD LIFT IT LIKE YOU DID!

OF LANA'S MANY TRICKS TO EXPOSE **SUPERBOY'S** IDENTITY, THIS ONE HAS CAUGHT CLARK UNAWARES!

I'M TRAPPED... WAIT! MY SUPER-BREATH WILL BLOW SOME DUST IN HER FACE, MAKING HER SNEEZE!

AH... AH...

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...CHOOO!
WHEN PEOPLE SNEEZE, THEY ALWAYS CLOSE THEIR EYES, FOR A MOMENT! USING SUPER-SPEED, I'LL RIP OUT THE BOTTOM OF HER BAG! SHE DIDN'T SEE BEHIND ME BEFORE!
WHEN LANA OPENS HER EYES...
OH, GOODNESS! MY BAG RIPPED! YOU DIDN'T LIFT THE WEIGHTS AT ALL! I STILL HAVE NO REAL EVIDENCE THAT YOU ARE SUPERBOY!
IF LANA COULD ONLY REMEMBER, SHE ONCE HAD ALL THE EVIDENCE SHE NEEDED TO EXPOSE MY DOUBLE IDENTITY! IT ALL HAPPENED YEARS AGO...
"...WHEN I LEFT HOME WITH MOM AND DAD KENT FOR A VERY SPECIAL EVENT IN MY LIFE!"
CLARK, YOU'RE GROWING UP! TODAY WILL BE YOUR FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL! YOUR FATHER WILL DRIVE US THERE!
GOLLY, I THINK SCHOOL WILL BE FUN!
"NOT ALL STREETS WERE PAVED IN THOSE EARLY DAYS AND ON THE WAY, SUDDENLY..."
OH, DRAT! WE GOT STUCK IN SOFT DIRT! WE'LL BE LATE FOR SCHOOL!
DON'T WORRY, DAD! I'LL GET THE CAR LOOSE!
"BUT I HAD NOT PRACTICED MY POWERS OF FLYING MUCH IN THOSE DAYS AND MY CONTROL WAS STILL FAR FROM PERFECT...
OOPS! I...UH...KNOCKED DOWN THAT TREE!
WELL, IT'S A DEAD TREE ANYHOW! BUT WATCH OUT THAT NOBODY COMES ALONG AND SEES YOU USING YOUR SUPER-POWERS, SON!
"BUT EVEN AT THAT AGE I HAD SUPER-STRENGTH, AND SHORTLY..."
STEER, DAD! I'LL SHOVE THE CAR OUT OF THE SOFT PLACE!
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"ON THE REST OF THE WAY, I GOT A STERN LECTURE FROM MY FOSTER PARENTS..."
REMEMBER, SON! DON'T USE YOUR POWERS OF FLYING, SUPER-BORING, X-RAY VISION OR SUPER-BREATH AT SCHOOL! NOBODY MUST FIND OUT THAT YOU'RE A SUPERTOT!
BUT WHY, DAD?

"FOR THE FIRST TIME, MY PARENTS TOLD ME OF THEIR GREAT PLANS FOR MY FUTURE CAREER!"
SON, SOMEDAY YOU WILL GROW UP TO BE SUPERBOY, FIGHTING CRIME AND EVIL! BUT CRIMINALS COULD SPOT YOUR MOVEMENTS EASILY AND AVOID YOU...UNLESS YOU HAD A DISGUISE AT TIMES!
WHAT DISGUISE?

AS CLARK KENT, OUR SON! THAT WILL ALLOW YOU TO DO UNDERCOVER WORK AGAINST CRIMINALS, WHENEVER NECESSARY! NOW YOU SEE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR YOU TO HAVE A SECRET IDENTITY?
YES, MOM AND DAD!

"AT THE SCHOOL, MOM AND DAD ANXIOUSLY WATCHED ME GO IN..."
IT'S CLARK'S FIRST DAY AWAY FROM HOME! HE'S ON HIS OWN NOW!
TODAY WILL PROVE WHETHER OUR BOY CAN CONCEAL WHAT HE REALLY IS, AND POSE AS AN ORDINARY BOY! I WONDER... WILL HE MAKE IT?
SMALLVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

"MY FIRST TEST SOON CAME! THE SMALLVILLE SCHOOLHOUSE I ATTENDED AS A CHILD WAS HEATED BY A COAL STOVE THAT THE TEACHER HAD TO FILL..."
ONE PIECE OF COAL SLIPPED FROM THE BUCKET! IT'S ROLLING TOWARD ME! I'LL PICK IT UP AND HAND IT BACK!

"AS THE TEACHER SPOKE SHARPLY, I WAS SO STARTLED I SQUEEZED MY HAND REAL HARD..."
CLARK! DON'T YOU KNOW COAL WILL SOIL YOUR HAND? DROP IT! I'LL PICK IT UP WITH MY GLOVES!
GOLLY! SHE SCARED ME SO I SQUEEZED MY HAND REAL HARD!

"TO MY SURPRISE, WHEN I OPENED MY HAND, IT WAS NO LONGER COAL..."
GEE! WHAT DID I...I TURN THE COAL INTO? IT LOOKS LIKE GLASS!
"DAD AND MOM, WHO HAD LINGERED AWHILE AND PEERED IN THE WINDOW, KNEW THE ANSWER!"
HE OFTEN DID THAT BY OUR FIREPLACE WHEN HE WAS SUPERBABY! THE PRESSURE OF CLARK'S SUPER-SQUEEZE CONVERTED THE LUMP OF COAL, INTO ITS OTHER CRYSTALLINE FORM OF PURE DIAMOND! IF THE TEACHER NOTICES...
GULP!
"BUT A CLASSMATE OF MINE SAVED THE DAY... LANA LANG!"
GOLLY, SOMEBODY DROPPED A PIECE OF GLASS, I GUESS! IT MIGHT CUT SOMEONE SO I'LL GET RID OF IT!
"THUS IT WAS THAT LANA LANG, WHEN SHE WAS BUT SIX YEARS OLD, TOSSED AWAY PERFECT PROOF THAT I WAS SUPERTOT!"
WHEW! WHAT A BREAK! I'LL HIDE THE JEWEL AT HOME!
BUT COME, JONATHAN...WE CAN'T HOVER AROUND ALL DAY AND WORRY! WE'LL HAVE TO HOPE THAT NOTHING ELSE HAPPENS TO GIVE OUR SON'S SECRET AWAY!
"BUT FATE WAS AGAINST ME! LATER, AS SOME OLDER SCHOOLBOYS PLAYED BALL DURING THEIR RECESS..."
OMIGOSH! I HIT THE BALL THROUGH AN OPEN WINDOW OF THE SCHOOL!
I...I HOPE IT DOESN'T HIT SOMEONE!
"LUCKILY, THE BALL HIT ME WITHOUT HARM... BUT THEN..."
OOPS! IT BOUNCED AND HIT THE TEACHER!
OUCH!
DOG
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"THE NEXT MOMENT..."
CLARK! YOU BAD BOY! YOU HAD A BALL HIDDEN IN YOUR POCKET AND THREW IT AT ME! WELL, YOU'RE GOING TO BE PUNISHED!
HOW CAN I TELL HER WHAT REALLY HAPPENED!
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"PUNISHMENT FOR MISBEHAVIOR WAS RATHER SEVERE IN THOSE DAYS..."
THREE RAPS ON THE KNUCKLES WITH THIS RULER! DEAR ME! IT ONLY BROKE!
OH OH! WILL TEACHER GUESS THAT MY BODY IS INV...INVUL... GOSH, WHAT'S THAT LONG WORD MOM AND DAD USE?... INVULNERABLE!
CRACK!

"BUT SINCE NOBODY AT THAT TIME EVEN SUSPECTED THAT A FUTURE SUPERBOY LIVED AMONG THEM, THE TEACHER FOUND ANOTHER EXPLANATION..."
IT'S A SHAME WHAT SHODDY SCHOOL SUPPLIES THEY MAKE THESE DAYS! THIS RULER WAS CRACKED, NO DOUBT! ER... YOU'RE EXCUSED, CLARK!

"AT LUNCH-TIME, THERE WAS NO CAFETERIA AS IN MODERN SCHOOLS, AND OUTSIDE..."
ALL THE KIDS BROUGHT THEIR LUNCHES FROM HOME... BUT I FORGOT MINE! I CAN REALLY DO WITHOUT FOOD BUT, GEE... I WANT TO BE LIKE THE OTHERS, NOT A... A FREAK WHO DOESN'T EAT!

HOW WILL I GET HOME? MOM AND DAD FORBADE ME TO FLY... SUPER-BORE UNDERGROUND... RUN AT SUPER-SPEED... EVERYTHING! OH, BOY! I JUST GOT A GREAT IDEA!

"HIDDEN AMONG BUSHES WAS A WELL WHICH SUPPLIED WATER TO THE SCHOOL, AND AFTER I HAD FLIPPED OFF THE MANHOLE COVER..."
DAD ONCE TOLD ME THERE ARE BIG WATER PIPES UNDERGROUND! I CAN GET HOME THIS WAY WITHOUT DISOBEYING MY PARENTS!

"SHORTLY..."
FOR THEY DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT SUPER-SWIMMING! MY X-RAY VISION WILL GUIDE ME THROUGH THE BRANCH PIPES! ONE OF THEM SHOULD LEAD ME TO MY HOUSE!

"SHORTLY, AT HOME, MOM KENT WAS SHOCKED AT MY DRIPPING ARRIVAL!"
DON'T SCOLD ME, MOM! I SUPER-SWAM THROUGH THE WATER SYSTEM! I WANT MY LUNCH LIKE OTHER KIDS!
ALL RIGHT, SON! BUT GOODNESS, YOU'LL HAVE TO CHANGE TO DRY CLOTHES! AND HOW CAN YOU RETURN TO SCHOOL THE SAME WAY WITHOUT GETTING WET?

"IT WAS THE FIRST TEST OF MY SUPER-WITS! SOON, DOWN IN THE WATER-MAINS...!"
I'LL JUST USE MY SUPER-BREATH AND BLOW ALL THE WATER BACK TO THE RESERVOIR!

THE PIPES WILL BE EMPTY ONLY A FEW MOMENTS! PEOPLE WILL HARDLY NOTICE! BEFORE THE WATER RUSHES BACK, I'LL BE BACK AT SCHOOL, DRY AS A BONE!

FOR A MOMENT, CLARK'S CHILDHOOD RECOLLECTIONS PAUSE, AS HE WALKS WITH LANA LANG...
HA, HA! IF LANA ONLY KNEW HOW MANY BIG CLUES SHE MISSED THAT FIRST DAY IN THE OLD SCHOOLHOUSE! SHE HAD SEEN ME BRING NO LUNCH IN THE MORNING, AND WHEN SHE SAW ME EATING A SANDWICH. SHE DIDN'T REALIZE I HAD GOOFED!
NO LONGER IN USE

"BUT AN EVEN BIGGER CLUE CAME ALONG DURING THE AFTERNOON RECESS, OUT IN THE PLAYGROUND, AS I WANTED TO IMPRESS THE GIRLS, AND...
I'LL GIVE ALL YOU GIRLS A RIDE ON THE OTHER END OF THIS SEE-SAW, AT THE SAME TIME!
GEE, I GUESS BOYS ARE A LOT HEAVIER THAN GIRLS!

"BUT DAD KNEW OTHERWISE, AS HE CAME TO DELIVER SCHOOL SUPPLIES FROM HIS STORE!"

JEHOSOPHAT! UNAWARE OF THE LAWS OF GRAVITY, THE KIDS THINK NOTHING OF WHAT CLARK IS DOING! BUT ANY ADULT SEEING THAT WOULD KNOW THAT CLARK MUST BE USING **SUPER-FORCE** TO SWING HIS END OF THE SEE-SAW DOWN! I'LL HAVE TO ACT FAST BEFORE THAT MAN SEES...

"TO COVER ME UP, DAD EXPOSED HIMSELF TO RIDICULE...

I HAD TO GET ON WITH CLARK, TO MAKE A BALANCE OF EQUAL WEIGHTS ON BOTH SIDES! BUT I'LL... ER... NEVER LIVE THIS DOWN

WELL, WELL! HAVING FUN, JONATHAN? JUST A KID AT HEART, EH? WAIT TILL I TELL ALL OUR FRIENDS! HAW!

"TO END OUR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, TEACHER ALLOWED US TO SEE THE SCHOOL AQUARIUM THAT OLDER STUDENTS USED FOR BIOLOGY STORIES...

DO NOT TOUCH FISH

ENJOY YOURSELVES, CHILDREN! I'LL GET YOUR COATS! REMEMBER TO OBEY THE SIGNS!

"BUT TEACHER HAD FORGOTTEN THAT FIRST-GRADERS HAD NOT YET LEARNED HOW TO READ...

LOOK AT THOSE FUNNY WRIGGLY FISH! THEY'RE SO SLIPPERY, I'LL BET NOBODY COULD GRAB AND HOLD THEM!

AW, I'LL BETCHA I CAN!

DANGER ELECTRIC EELS! DO NOT TOU

"WITH MY INVULNERABLE BODY, I WAS TOTALLY UNAWARE THAT I WAS RECEIVING A POWERFUL ELECTRIC SHOCK!"

HEE, HEE! IT TICKLES!

BETTER PUT THEM BACK BEFORE TEACHER COMES, CLARK!

"AGAIN, THE SIMPLE FIRST-GRADERS SAW NOTHING AMISS IN A BOY SURVIVING ELECTROCUTION! BUT LANA TATTLED TO THE TEACHER..."

TEACHER! CLARK GRABBED THOSE TWO WRIGGLY FISH WHILE YOU WERE GONE!

THOSE **ELECTRIC EELS?** NONSENSE, LANA! HE WOULD HAVE RECEIVED A TERRIBLE ELECTRIC SHOCK IF HE DID AND BE MOANING IN PAIN!

"POOR LANA! HER SEEMING FALSEHOOD ONLY GAINED HER ANOTHER SCHOOL PUNISHMENT OF THOSE DAYS..."

FOR TELLING A FIB, LANA, YOU MUST STAY AFTER SCHOOL AND WEAR THE **DUNCE CAP!**

DUNCE

"BACK HOME, I ALSO INNOCENTLY TOLD A FIB TO MOM AND DAD AFTER DESCRIBING MY FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL!"

...SO I OBEYED YOU AND DIDN'T SHOW THEM ANY OF MY SUPER-POWERS AT ALL!

NO... EXCEPT FOR SUPER-SQUEEZING, INVULNERABILITY, SUPER-SEESAWING AND ALL THE REST! OH, WELL, LUCK WAS WITH US!

AS CLARK'S CHILDHOOD RECOLLECTIONS END, HE GETS ANOTHER "SHOCK" IN SMALLVILLE HIGH, FROM LANA LANG...

HMM... THESE ELECTRIC EELS WE'RE STUDYING ABOUT REMIND ME OF FIRST GRADE YEARS AGO! SOME BOY IN CLASS WAS **INVULNERABLE** TO THEM! WHY, HE MUST HAVE BEEN **SUPERBOY** AS A YOUNG TOT!

OH, OH! HAS LANA FINALLY CAUGHT ON TO ONE OF THOSE MANY CLUES?

WAS IT KIRK BRENT? BURT DENTON? MARK BRENT? GOLLY, I CAN'T REMEMBER **WHICH** BOY IT WAS ANYMORE!

WHEW! IF LANA HAD A **SUPER-MEMORY** LIKE ME, I'D BE SUNK!

THE END.

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JEEPERS, LOOK AT PEG'S ARM IN A SLING! SHE MUST HAVE BEEN IN AN AWFUL ACCIDENT!
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU, PEG? WERE YOU HURT BADLY?
OH, THIS? I WASN'T HURT--
--LAST NIGHT I MET RONNIE BLAKE, THE MOVIE ACTOR, AT THE STAGE ENTRANCE--AND HE SHOOK HANDS WITH ME. I DON'T WANT ANYBODY TOUCHING IT NOW!
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THE END

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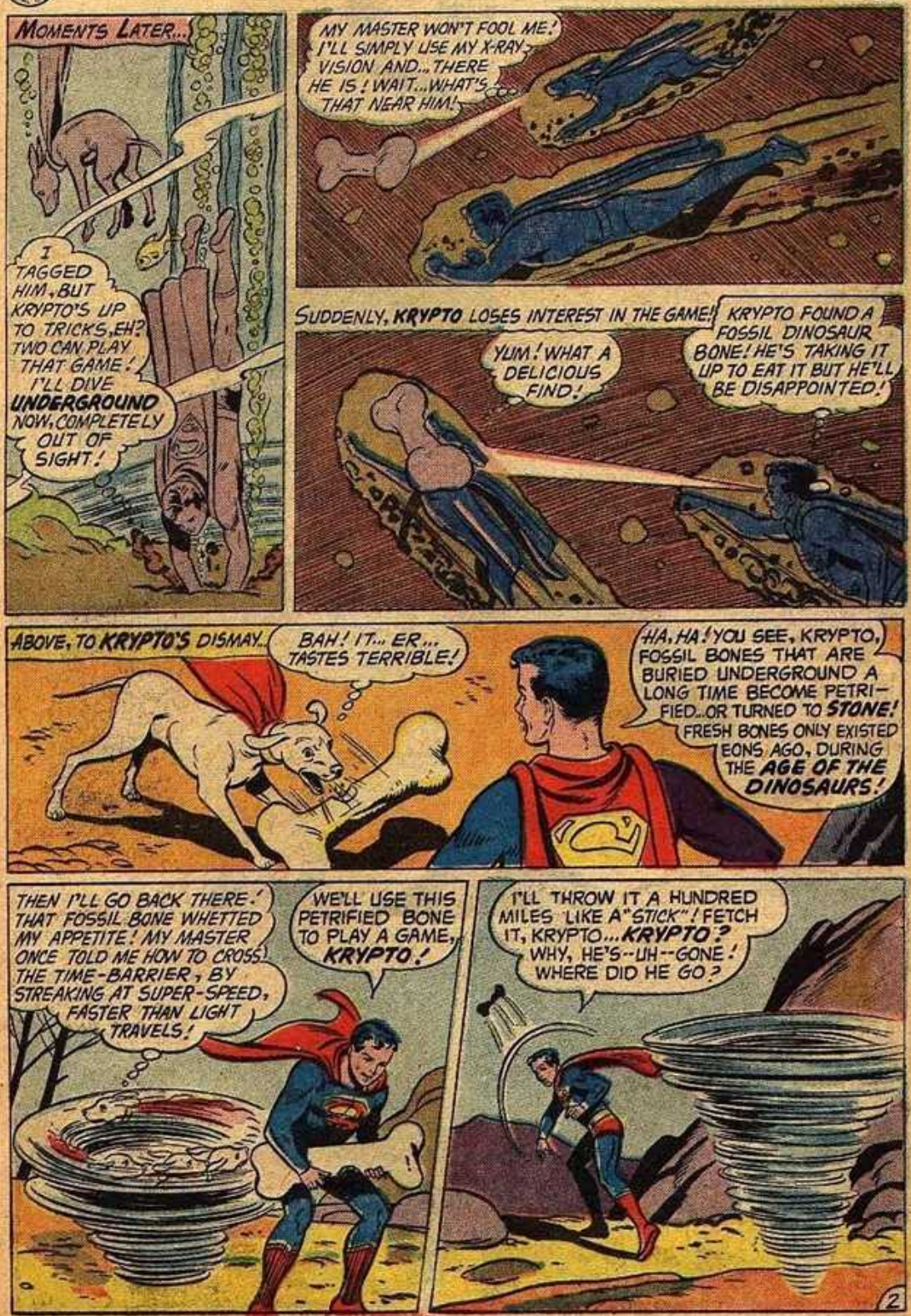
HOW DID BABE RUTH SLAM HIS 60TH, RECORD-BREAKING HOME-RUN? HOW DID GEORGE WASHINGTON CROSS THE DELAWARE SAFELY? HOW DID KING ARTHUR PULL THE MAGIC SWORD FROM THE STONE? THE REAL HERO OF ALL THESE FAMOUS EVENTS IS NONE OTHER THAN SUPERDOG, AS YOU WILL SEE IN THIS TIME-TRAVELING STORY...

"HOW KRYPTO MADE HISTORY!"

I—I TRIED A DOZEN TIMES, BUT 'TIS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANY MORTAL BEING TO PULL THE SWORD FROM THE STONE!
HMM... I'LL YANK THE SWORD OUT WITH MY TEETH AND LET THAT KNIGHT THINK HE DID IT! HE WILL BECOME THE FAMOUS KING ARTHUR!
HE WHO PULLS THE MAGIC SWORD FROM THE ROCK WILL BECOME KING

OUTSIDE OF SMALLVILLE ONE DAY, A BOY AND HIS DOG HAPPILY PLAY GAMES...
GOSH, KRYPTO! I'M GLAD YOU CAME BACK FROM SPACE AGAIN TO ROMP WITH ME! LET'S PLAY TAG...YOU'RE IT! YOU'VE GOT TO CATCH ME!

BUT THIS IS A SUPER-GAME PLAYED BY SUPERBOY AND HIS INVULNERABLE SUPERDOG...
I ZOOMED INTO SPACE. BUT KRYPTO TAGGED ME!
NOW MY MASTER WILL HAVE TO CHASE ME! HMM...I'LL DIVE INTO A LAKE BELOW! MAYBE I'LL SLIP AWAY UNDERWATER!


MOMENTS LATER...
I TAGGED HIM, BUT KRYPTO'S UP TO TRICKS, EH? TWO CAN PLAY THAT GAME! I'LL DIVE UNDERGROUND NOW, COMPLETELY OUT OF SIGHT!
MY MASTER WON'T FOOL ME! I'LL SIMPLY USE MY X-RAY VISION AND... THERE HE IS! WAIT... WHAT'S THAT NEAR HIM!
SUDDENLY, KRYPTO LOSES INTEREST IN THE GAME!
YUM! WHAT A DELICIOUS FIND!
KRYPTO FOUND A FOSSIL DINOSAUR BONE! HE'S TAKING IT UP TO EAT IT BUT HE'LL BE DISAPPOINTED!
ABOVE, TO KRYPTO'S DISMAY...
BAH! IT... ER... TASTES TERRIBLE!
HA, HA! YOU SEE, KRYPTO, FOSSIL BONES THAT ARE BURIED UNDERGROUND A LONG TIME BECOME PETRIFIED... OR TURNED TO STONE! FRESH BONES ONLY EXISTED EONS AGO, DURING THE AGE OF THE DINOSAURS!
THEN I'LL GO BACK THERE! THAT FOSSIL BONE WHETTED MY APPETITE! MY MASTER ONCE TOLD ME HOW TO CROSS THE TIME-BARRIER, BY STREAKING AT SUPER-SPEED, FASTER THAN LIGHT TRAVELS!
WE'LL USE THIS PETRIFIED BONE TO PLAY A GAME, KRYPTO!
I'LL THROW IT A HUNDRED MILES LIKE A "STICK"! FETCH IT, KRYPTO... KRYPTO? WHY, HE'S--UH--GONE! WHERE DID HE GO?
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UNKNOWN TO SUPERBOY, KRYPTO IS CROSSING THE TIME-BARRIER INTO THE PAST!
I'M NOT SURE JUST HOW LONG AGO THE DINOSAURS LIVED DID I GO BACK IN TIME FAR ENOUGH? I'LL FLY BACK TO EARTH AND SEE!
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HOT DOG! I FOUND THE AGE OF DINOSAURS RIGHT AWAY! AND THERE ARE SOME FRESH BONES JUST WAITING FOR ME... YUM YUM!
BUT KRYPTO, UNABLE TO JUDGE TIME ACCURATELY, HAS ONLY GONE A FEW YEARS INTO THE PAST...
EXHIBIT OF SCULPTURED DINOSAURS OPENED IN 1927
PHAW! I BIT INTO ANOTHER FALSE BONE! IT TASTES LIKE... ER... PLASTER!
MEANWHILE, AT A NEARBY BALLPARK, A FAMOUS MOMENT IN BASEBALL HISTORY IS TAKING PLACE...
IT'S NEAR THE END OF THE SEASON! THE GREAT BABE RUTH HAS HIT 59 HOME RUNS SO FAR!
AND THERE GOES NUMBER 60 OUT TOWARD THE BLEACHERS! HURRAY!
NEW YORK
WITH ALL EYES GLUED TO THE BALL, NOBODY NOTICES A PIGEON ABOUT TO COLLIDE WITH THE BALL, WHICH WILL SPOIL THE BABE'S HOME-RUN WALLOP...
SUDDENLY, A SUPER-SPEED FORM STREAKS PAST, INVISIBLE TO EYES BELOW!
AWWK!
PEOPLE DIDN'T EXIST DURING THE DINOSAUR AGE! I'LL HAVE TO HURL MYSELF FURTHER BACK INTO THE PAST! OOPS! THE RUSH OF WIND I MADE SUCKED THAT BIRD OUT OF THE PATH OF THAT BALL!

AS THE BALL MISSES THE BIRD, KRYPTO HAS UNWITTINGLY PREVENTED FATE FROM ROBBING BABE RUTH OF HIS FEAT...

HURRAY! HERE COMES THE BABE'S 60TH **HOME RUN**, HIS TOTAL FOR THE 1927 SEASON! HE SET A NEW RECORD!

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PRESENTLY, KRYPTO TRAVELS THROUGH THE CENTURIES TO ANOTHER TIME...

I ARRIVED IN THE PAST ON A PITCH BLACK NIGHT THIS TIME! ARE THOSE BIG SHAPES SLEEPING DINOSAURS? I'LL STING ONE OF THEM WITH THE HEAT OF MY X-RAY VISION TO SEE IF IT MOVES!

DOGGONE! THEY'RE ONLY BIG CAKES OF ICE ON A RIVER! I ONLY MELTED THAT ONE! WHAT A-- ER--**BONER!**

HARDLY, KRYPTO! IT HAPPENS TO BE THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 24, 1776 WHEN GEORGE WASHINGTON WAS CROSSING THE DELAWARE...

I...I THOUGHT I SAW A HUGE CAKE OF ICE AHEAD! IF WE HAD HIT IT OUR BOAT WOULD HAVE BEEN SMASHED TO BITS! BUT IT'S...ER...GONE! I GUESS I ONLY IMAGINED SEEING IT!

KRYPTO LEAVES, UNAWARE HE HAS SECRETLY MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR WASHINGTON TO CROSS THE DELAWARE AND CONTINUE TOWARD AN HISTORIC VICTORY IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR!

MEN, WE'LL SURPRISE THE HESSIANS IN TRENTON AND CAPTURE THEIR WHOLE ARMY!

SOLDIERS IN BOATS! THIS ISN'T THE DINOSAUR AGE EITHER! I'LL HAVE TO TAKE ANOTHER LEAP BACK IN TIME...BUT HOW FAR?

PRESENTLY, ONCE AGAIN CROSSING THE TIME-BARRIER, THE SUPER-DOG ARRIVES IN A FOREIGN LAND...

I MUST BE IN SOME STRANGE COUNTRY, JUDGING FROM THOSE WIND MILLS AND DYKES! HMM...LOOKS LIKE A STORM RAGING HERE! OOPS... MY TAIL GOT MUDDY!

ELSEWHERE, ANXIOUS MEN PATROL THE DYKE ...
A HOLE! PLUG IT QUICKLY, MEN! EVEN A TINY HOLE CAN SWIFTLY ENLARGE IN SECONDS AND SPLIT THE DYKE OPEN! THEN OUR LANDS WILL BE FLOODED AWAY BY THE OCEAN!
MEANWHILE, SOME DISTANCE AWAY...
AH! I'LL STICK MY MUDDY TAIL IN THAT HOLE IN THE DYKE! THE WATER WILL WASH IT CLEAN! WHAT LUCK!
SHORTLY, A DUTCH LAD APPEARS WHOSE FAME WILL RING DOWN IN HISTORY...THANKS TO KRYPTO HAVING PLUGGED THE HOLE FIRST!
HIS FINGER MUST BE MUDDY TOO!
A HOLE IN THE DYKE! I MUST KEEP IT PLUGGED UNTIL THE REPAIR CREW ARRIVES! ALL OF HOLLAND WILL BE FLOODED IF THE HOLE MAKES THE DYKE WEAKEN HERE!
BUT I'VE GOT TO FIND AN AGE BEFORE HUMANS EXISTED, WHEN ONLY THE DINOSAUR LIVED! HOW FAR BACK IN THE PAST DO I HAVE TO GO?
SOON...
I SEE A MAN THERE! AGAIN I'VE LANDED IN THE WRONG TIME! BUT WHAT'S THAT STRANGE INSTRUMENT HE'S USING TO HURL A STICK?
THE SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM SENT ME TO WAIT IN AMBUSH... AND THERE'S MY QUARRY NOW! I'LL SLAY HIM--AND WIN THE REWARD!
I KNOW! THAT MAN WANTS TO PLAY "THROW-THE-STICK" WITH ME! I'LL SEIZE IT IN MY TEETH AND GIVE HIM A SURPRISE! I'LL ZOOM BACK SO FAST I'LL BE INVISIBLE TO THE HUMAN EYE AND...
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...RETURN HIS STICK OUT OF THIN AIR!
ZOUNDS! MY ARROW CAME BACK WITHOUT HITTING MY QUARRY!... EGULPE... HE MUST BE PROTECTED BY MAGIC!
AGAIN KRYPTO HAS UNWITTINGLY KEPT HISTORY FROM BEING CHANGED...
VARLET! DID YOU TRY TO AMBUSH ME? NOW YOU'LL HAVE A TASTE OF ROBIN HOOD'S ARROWS! I'LL PIN YOU TO THE TREE BY YOUR CLOTHES!
BAH! I CAN'T PLAY ANY MORE STICK GAMES! I'VE GOT TO FIND THE DINOSAUR AGE!
WHEN KRYPTO PIERCES THE TIME-BARRIER...
OOF! I...I CANNOT TUG THE SWORD LOOSE! METHINKS NO CREATURE ON EARTH COULD EVER DO IT!
HMM... IS THAT SOME KIND OF DINOSAUR IN AN ARMORED SHELL?
HE WHO PULLS THE MAGIC SWORD FROM THE ROCK WILL BECOME KING
HUH! I'LL BET I CAN DO IT! BUT I'LL JUST LOOSEN IT SO THAT POOR FELLOW WILL THINK HE DID IT!
I'LL TRY ONCE MORE... PANTS... AFTER I REST A MOMENT!
I LIKE TO DO GOOD DEEDS LIKE THAT, JUST AS MY MASTER SUPERBOY DOES!
ODDS BODKINS! I DID IT WITH ONE MIGHTY HEAVE!
NOW YOU WILL BECOME KING ARTHUR, SIRE! THE KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE WILL HELP YOU DEFEAT THE TYRANTS OF ENGLAND!
BUT HE WAS NO...ER...DINOSAUR! WELL, THIS TIME I'LL TAKE A SUPER-LEAP INTO PAST AGES!
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AT LAST, KRYPTO REACHES HIS GOAL IN 250,000,000 B.C.!
HURRAY! THE DINOSAUR AGE! BUT HMM... I DON'T LIKE TO SEE THAT BIG BULLY CHASING A SMALLER CREATURE!

LIKE A BLAST OF CANINE DYNAMITE, THE DOG OF STEEL KNOCKS OUT THE TYRANNOSAURUS REX, THE FIERCEST DINOSAUR EVER KNOWN!
CRASH!
YIP! YIP! YIP!
TRANSLATION: "PICK ON SOMEBODY YOUR SIZE... LIKE ME!"

PRESENTLY, AFTER AN EAGER SEARCH...
OH, BOY! I FOUND A PILE OF BONES FROM SOME DINOSAUR THAT DIED HERE IN A DESERT! THEY'RE REAL BONES, NOT PETRIFIED! IS MY MOUTH WATERING!

BUT A MOMENT LATER...
KRYPTO! I FINALLY FIGURED OUT I'D FIND YOU HERE IN THE AGE OF DINOSAURS, SEEKING A MEAL!
MY... MY TEETH SNAPPED ON EMPTY AIR! SOMEBODY YANKED ME BACK!
SNAP!

I CAME THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER FOR YOU! I NEED YOU FOR AN IMPORTANT EVENT! THERE'S NOT A MOMENT TO LOSE!
DID SUPERBOY HAVE TO SNATCH ME AWAY FROM THAT FEAST OF BONES? I... I'M LEADING A... A DOG'S LIFE, IF YOU ASK ME!

SHORTLY, WHEN SUPERBOY AND HIS SUPERDOG RETURN FROM THE PAST TO SMALLVILLE...
THIS IS THE ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR FIRST APPEARANCE ON EARTH, KRYPTO! THE WHOLE TOWN IS WAITING TO SEE THE MAYOR GIVE YOU A TROPHY!
HURRAY for KRYPTO!

YOU HAVE BOTH DONE MANY SUPER-DEEDS FOR US! THIS GOLD CUP IS FOR SUPERBOY! FOR YOU, KRYPTO, WE MADE A SPECIAL TROPHY YOU OUGHT TO LIKE!
GREAT PUPS! A...A GOLDEN BONE! SHUCKS--I CAN'T EAT THAT!
HURRAY for KRY

LATER, AT HOME...
MISERABLE, KRYPTO? I GUESS YOU'RE THINKING OF LOSING OUT ON THAT FEAST OF DINOSAUR BONES IN THE PAST! HMM... MY TELESCOPIC VISION SHOWS SOMETHING IN THE ARCTICS! FOLLOW ME THERE!
WHINE!

PRESENTLY, FAR NORTH...
SEE KRYPTO? THOSE EXTINCT MAMMOTH BONES ARE FROZEN IN THIS GLACIER! THEY WON'T BE PETRIFIED! THIS "DEEP" FREEZE PRESERVED THEM! THE HEAT OF OUR X-RAYS WILL MELT THE ICE!
HOT ZIGGETY DOG! THEY'RE AS BIG AS DINOSAUR BONES, TOO!

BUT SUDDENLY, A DOG-TEAM SLED ARRIVES AND...
LOOK! PRICELESS FOSSIL BONES! WE'LL NEED THEM FOR SCIENTIFIC STUDY, SUPERBOY! DON'T LET YOUR DOG EAT THEM! I'M PROFESSOR VAN WYCK AND I DECLARE THIS THE GREATEST ARCHEOLOGICAL FIND OF THE CENTURY!
ER... TOO BAD, KRYPTO! COME, I'LL FEED YOU AT HOME!

FINALLY, BACK HOME...
I...I END UP WITH ORDINARY DOG FOOD BONES! MY HUNT THROUGH PAST AGES FOR DINOSAUR BONES WAS ALL A WILD-GOOSE CHASE!
HERE, BOY! IT'S THE BEST I COULD ER... FIND!
THE END
WE KNOW DIFFERENTLY, EH? IT WAS NO WILD-GOOSE CHASE FOR BABE RUTH, GEORGE WASHINGTON, THE DUTCH BOY AT THE DYKE, ROBIN HOOD AND KING ARTHUR!

CHIEF HOT FOOT
THE WHOLE TRIBE IS EXPECTING MY SMOKE SIGNAL MESSAGE!
HELLO, CHIEF!
HELLO, RAIN-IN-THE FACE!
OH, MY GOSH!
I MADE A MISTAKE AND I'M ERASING IT!
WHAT'S THE MATTER? WHY ARE YOU DASHING UP THE CLIFF?
THE END

COMING SUPER-ATTRACTIONS...

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UNTOLD TALES OF SUPERBOY

The ADVENTURES of SUPERMAN WHEN HE WAS A BOY

CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT CLARK KENT, WHO IS SECRETLY **SUPERBOY**, WAS EVER DISOBEDIENT TO HIS FOSTER PARENTS, MOM AND DAD KENT? WELL, THIS AMAZING EVENT DID OCCUR YEARS AGO, WHEN THE **BOY OF STEEL** WAS A **BRAT OF STEEL** FOR A WHILE! AND IT BECAME A SUPER-PROBLEM FOR DAD KENT TO FIGURE OUT...

"The PUNISHMENT of SUPERBOY!"

YOU'VE BEEN DISOBEDIENT, CLARK, SO I'M PUNISHING YOU! YOU'LL GO TO BED EARLY! I'LL TURN OFF THE LIGHTS SO YOU CAN'T WORK ON THAT **SUPERBOY** ROBOT!

BUT I CAN SEE IN THE DARK WITH MY X-RAY VISION, DAD! YOU'LL HAVE TO FIND SOME OTHER WAY TO PUNISH ME... IF YOU CAN!

IN SMALLVILLE ONE EVENING AS AWARDS ARE PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL **FATHER-AND-SON BANQUET**...

YOU, JONATHAN KENT, HAVE BEEN CHOSEN **FATHER OF THE YEAR** FOR BRINGING UP THE MOST WELL-BEHAVED BOY IN TOWN! THIS IS YOUR REWARD FOR TRAINING CLARK TO BE AN OBEDIENT SON!

BUT CLARK (**SUPERBOY**) KENT SPEAKS STRANGE WORDS ON THE WAY HOME, LATER!

IT WASN'T ALWAYS THAT WAY, DAD! AT ONE TIME I WASN'T YOUR **OBEDIENT** SON... REMEMBER?

YES, SON! YEARS AGO YOUR MOTHER AND I FEARED YOU WOULD GROW UP TO BE A **BAD BOY**...

THEIR THOUGHTS FLY BACK... BACK TO THE DAYS WHEN SUPERBOY WAS MUCH YOUNGER...
HI, DAD! I JUST FINISHED MY PATROL OF TOWN!
GOOD, SON! THEN YOU CAN DO YOUR HOME CHORES NOW! CHANGE TO YOUR CLARK KENT DISGUISE!
SHORTLY...
THE WOOD-PILE NEEDS CHOPPING, SON! OF COURSE, YOU CAN'T USE YOUR SUPER-POWERS WITHOUT EXPOSING YOUR SECRET IDENTITY! PEOPLE CAN SEE INTO OUR BACKYARD!
AW, GEE, DAD! CAN'T I DO IT AFTER DARK, USING SUPER-SPEED? DON'T FORGET-- I'M SUPERBOY!
SUPERBOY OR NOT, YOU MUST LEARN TO OBEY YOUR ELDERS! DO IT NOW, I SAY!
EASY, JONATHAN, ALL GROWING BOYS ACT STUBBORN AT TIMES! CLARK WILL GROW OUT OF IT IN TIME!
HE MIGHT GROW UP INTO A BAD BOY, IF HE ISN'T TRAINED TO RESPECT PARENTAL AUTHORITY! FOR THE LAST TIME, CLARK, WILL YOU CHOP THAT WOOD?
NO, DAD! I DON'T HAVE TO OBEY YOU IF I DON'T WANT TO! AFTER ALL, I'M NOT YOUR REAL SON, ONLY YOUR ADOPTED SON!
THEN MAYBE YOU WANT TO LEAVE US...:CHOKE!:... AND GO BACK TO THE ORPHANAGE WHERE WE GOT YOU AS A BABY!
OH NO, NOT THAT, MOM! I LOVE YOU AND DAD DEARLY AND ALWAYS WANT TO LIVE WITH YOU!
BUT I WON'T CHOP THAT WOOD LIKE AN ORDINARY BOY! IT'S A WASTE OF MY TIME!
STILL DISOBEDIENT, EH? INTO THE WOODSHED, YOUNG MAN! YOU MUST BE PUNISHED!
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EASIER SAID THAN DONE, DAD KENT!
THIS WILL HURT ME MORE THAN YOU... OWWW!
YOU'RE RIGHT, DAD! YOU FORGOT THAT YOU COULD NEVER SPANK ME, EVEN AS A CHILD! YOU ONLY MADE YOUR HAND STING!
ANGRILY, DAD KENT SEIZES A STICK OF WOOD BUT...
JEHOSOPHAT! IT... IT ONLY BROKE!
DAD, I'M THE INVULNERABLE BOY OF STEEL... REMEMBER? YOU CAN'T PUNISH ME BY GIVING ME A SPANKING!
SOON IN THE HOUSE...
ALL RIGHT, BUT YOU'LL STILL BE SORRY YOU DISOBEYED ME! STAY IN YOUR ROOM WITHOUT SUPPER!
HA, HA! THAT'S NO PUNISHMENT, DAD! I'LL SHOW YOU WHY IN MY SUPERBOY SCRAPBOOK!
I CAN GO WITHOUT FOOD INDEFINITELY, DAD! REMEMBER THIS EXHIBIT I ONCE PUT ON TO HELP A SCRAP DRIVE? I WENT WITHOUT REAL FOOD FOR A WEEK!
DONATE TO SCRAP DRIVE
ER... I FORGOT THAT! BUT I'LL TAKE AWAY YOUR RADIO! THEN YOU CAN'T LISTEN TO THE WORLD SERIES BASEBALL GAME THAT'S GOING ON NOW!
BUT, DAD! I CAN SIMPLY PICK UP THE ANNOUNCER'S VOICE DIRECTLY...
... WITH MY SUPER-HEARING!
SLUGGER COLE JUST SLAMMED A HOME RUN, TYING UP THE GAME!
POW!

THE SCORE IS 3 AND 3 AND THEY'RE TAKING THE PITCHER OUT AND...
NEVER MIND THE DETAILS! DRAT! DEPRIVING YOU OF YOUR RADIO IS USELESS! WELL, I'M TAKING YOUR MOTHER TO THE MOVIES LATER! AS PUNISHMENT, YOU'RE NOT GOING WITH US!
LATER...
POOR DAD! HE'S SO RATTLED HE KEEPS FORGETTING MY VARIOUS SUPER-POWERS! I'LL JUST USE MY TELESCOPIC VISION TO WATCH THE SCIENCE-FICTION MOVIE!
WHEN DAD AND MOM RETURN FROM THE MOVIE...
GOSH, DAD! WASN'T IT EXCITING WHEN THAT SCIENTIST FINALLY FROZE THE SPACE BLAST WITH HIS AMAZING ZERO GUN! ZAP! ZAP!
HOW DID YOU KNOW...? YIPES! YOU... YOU USED YOUR TELESCOPIC VISION OF COURSE! IT SLIPPED MY MIND!
EVEN IF OUR SON DISOBEYED YOU, HOW CAN YOU PUNISH HIM WHEN HE HAS SUPER-POWERS? GIVE UP, DEAR!
NO, MARTHA! LIKE ALL OTHER GROWING BOYS, IT'S IMPORTANT FOR SUPERBOY'S YOUNG MIND TO BE MOLDED THE RIGHT WAY...OR HE MIGHT TURN INTO A SUPER-BAD BOY!
IT'S A PROBLEM, BUT SOMEHOW I MUST THINK OF A WAY TO PUNISH SUPERBOY FOR DISOBEDIENCE!
NEXT DAY, DAD KENT SAW HIS CHANCE, WHEN...
AS SUPERBOY, I'M DUE NOW TO BE THE UMPIRE AT THE CHAMPIONSHIP MARBLE MATCHES... WHAT ARE YOU DOING, DAD?
I'M LOCKING YOU IN YOUR ROOM, SON! I'M PUNISHING YOU BY MAKING YOU MISS THAT BIG EVENT WHICH YOU'VE ALWAYS ATTENDED BEFORE!

AND YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH SUPER-TRICKS THIS TIME! I FORBID YOU TO MELT A WINDOW WITH THE HEAT OF YOUR X-RAY VISION OR TO SMASH THROUGH THE DOOR OR THE WALLS! THERE -- THAT COVERS EVERYTHING!
HMM... NOT QUITE!
DAD NEGLECTED TO MENTION SUPER-BORING UNDER-GROUND! I'LL REPAIR THE FLOOR LATER!
CRASH!
LATER, WHEN DAD KENT TOOK IN THE MARBLE MATCHES...
IN BETWEEN ROUNDS, I'LL ENTERTAIN THEM WITH SOME SUPER-SHOOTING! USING SUPER-AIM, I'LL MAKE MY SHOOTER RICOCHET AND HIT ALL THOSE MARBLES TOSSED IN THE AIR!
BALLS O' FIRE! SUPERBOY GOT HERE BY SUPER-BORING AND EMERGING FROM THAT HOLE! HE... HE OUTWITTED ME AGAIN!
MARBLE MATCH
THE NEXT DAY...
I'LL BUY A MODEL AIRPLANE WITH MY ALLOWANCE THIS WEEK, MOM!
WHAT ALLOWANCE, CLARK? I'M CUTTING IT OFF AS OF NOW! THAT'S YOUR PUNISHMENT! NO MORE ALLOWANCE UNTIL YOU LEARN OBEDIENCE!
SHORTLY AFTER, CLARK CHANGES TO SUPERBOY AND FLIES OUT TO SEA...
I'LL USE THIS GLASS TANK I MADE TO SCOOP UP THAT RARE DEEP-SEA FISH, THE FINNED UNICORN! I'LL SELL IT TO THE AQUARIUM CHEAP... FOR EXACTLY THE AMOUNT OF CLARK'S ALLOWANCE! DAD WILL LEARN HE CAN'T PUNISH ME!
PRESENTLY, AT DAD KENT'S GENERAL STORE...
MY "FRIEND" SUPERBOY MADE UP MY ALLOWANCE THAT YOU CUT OFF, DAD! BUT NO HARD FEELINGS! I'LL SPEND THE MONEY IN YOUR STORE!
HE... HE'S RUBBING IT IN THAT I FAILED TO PUNISH HIM!
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AFTER CLARK LEFT...
WAIT! SUPERBOY IS SCHEDULED TO SIGN AUTOGRAPHS THIS EVENING AT THE TOWN HALL! AND THIS MAGIC SET GIVES ME A GREAT IDEA HOW I CAN PUNISH SUPERBOY! FIRST I'LL INVITE GUESTS TO THE HOUSE TONIGHT!
MAGIC SET
THAT EVENING, AT HOME...
I'LL SNEAK IN THROUGH THE BASEMENT WITH THIS MAGIC SET, SO CLARK DOESN'T SUSPECT MY PLAN!
DAD DIDN'T NOTICE ME WORKING DOWN HERE! WHAT'S HE UP TO? HMM... I THINK I CAN GUESS!
LATER, WHEN THE GUESTS ARRIVED AND WERE ENTERTAINED BY DAD KENT'S AMATEUR MAGIC ACTS...
FRIENDS, MY SON CLARK WILL BE MY ASSISTANT FOR THE NEXT ACT! I'LL HANDCUFF HIM TO THE STAIR-RAIL AND THEN MY MAGIC WORD WILL FREE HIM!
ACTUALLY I'M SUPPOSED TO OPEN THE LOCK OF THE HANDCUFFS WITH THIS SMALL KEY PALMED IN MY HAND WHILE I PRETEND TO MAKE "MAGIC PASSES" BUT I'LL LET THE KEY FALL IN MY TROUSERS CUFF!
THEN, AS DAD DELIBERATELY PLAYED THE FOOL...
PRESTO! PRESTO! ER...I'M SORRY CLARK, THE HANDCUFFS WON'T OPEN. YOU'LL HAVE TO STAY HERE UNTIL MY "MAGIC" WORKS!
HA, HA! YOU GOOFED, JONATHAN! MY BOY HAS THAT SAME MAGIC SET! YOU MUST HAVE DROPPED THE SECRET KEY! HA, HA!
I'LL PRETEND TO LOOK FOR IT AND WASTE TIME! MEANWHILE CLARK DOESN'T DARE BURST THE HANDCUFFS WITH HIS SUPER-STRENGTH WHILE PEOPLE ARE WATCHING! HE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET AWAY TO SIGN THOSE AUTOGRAPHS! THAT WILL BE HIS PUNISHMENT! HA, HA!

YET AT THAT VERY MOMENT SUPERBOY WAS KEEPING HIS APPOINTMENT!
WHEN DAD CAME HOME WITH THE MAGIC SET, MY X-RAY VISION REVEALED THE CONTENTS! I GUESSED HE'D USE THAT HANDCUFF TRICK TO KEEP ME HOME TONIGHT... BUT I OUTWITTED HIM!
AFTER THE PARTY ENDED...
THERE, CLARK! YOU'VE HAD YOUR PUNISHMENT! NOW I'LL LET YOU LOOSE WITH THE KEY I PRETENDED TO LOSE! THAT KEPT YOU FROM GOING AND SIGNING AUTOGRAPHS AS SUPERBOY AND... UH... GREAT SCOTT!
WRONG, DAD! THAT WASN'T ME YOU HANDCUFFED!
IT WAS THIS CLARK ROBOT I KEEP ON HAND FOR EMERGENCIES! HE TOOK MY PLACE BEFORE THE PARTY BEGAN! YOU'LL HAVE TO FACE IT, DAD. THERE IS NO WAY YOU CAN PUNISH ME! I'M JUST TOO SUPER FOR YOU AND MOM!
I GIVE UP!
BUT AFTER, AS CLARK HEARD ANGRY VOICES BELOW HIS ROOM...
I CAN'T HANDLE CLARK AND IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT, MARTHA! YOU SPOILED HIM!
DON'T SHIFT THE BLAME ON ME JONATHAN KENT! HE'S YOUR SON, TOO!
OMIGOSH! MOM AND DAD ARE QUARRELING... OVER ME!
ONE WORD LED TO ANOTHER AND, BEFORE LONG...
BAH! I'M MOVING OUT OF HERE! I'M LEAVING THAT SUPER-BRAT IN YOUR HANDS, MARTHA! YOU CAN RAISE HIM FROM NOW ON! I DON'T WANT ANY PART OF THAT IMP OF A SON!
I'M GOING TO MY SISTER'S! I'LL NEVER COME BACK AS LONG AS CLARK LIVES HERE!
MOM!... DAD!... WAIT! GOSH, THEY BOTH LEFT AT THE FRONT AND BACK DOORS! NOW I'M... I'M ALL ALONE... :CHOKE!:
SLAM!
SLAM!

I...I LOVE THEM MORE THAN ANYTHING IN THE WORLD! BUT NOW OUR HAPPY HOME IS BROKEN UP... AND IT'S ALL MY FAULT FOR BEING SO STUBBORN ABOUT CHOPPING WOOD!
AND I...I MADE A FOOL OF DAD WHEN HE TRIED TO PUNISH ME! OH, IF ONLY THEY WOULD COME BACK, I WOULD NEVER BE A BAD BOY AGAIN...¡SOB!
I'VE LOST MY LOVING FOSTER PARENTS AND...
MOM!.. DAD!.. YOU'RE BACK!!??
WE NEVER REALLY LEFT, SON! WE WERE ONLY WAITING OUTSIDE! YOU SEE, YOUR MOTHER AND I PLANNED THAT FAKE QUARREL TO BRING YOU TO YOUR SENSES! IT WAS THE ONLY WAY WE COULD PUNISH OUR SUPER-SON!
YOU SURE DID! YOU FOUND MY ONE "VULNERABLE" SPOT... MY LOVE FOR BOTH OF YOU! MAKING ME THINK I HAD LOST YOU WAS MY PUNISHMENT AFTER ALL! I'VE LEARNED MY LESSON!
I'M GLAD, SON! WE DID IT ALL FOR YOUR OWN GOOD!
SHORTLY, IN THE BACKYARD...
I'LL CHOP THE WOOD THE HARD WAY, DAD! I REALIZE NOW THAT ALL BOYS, INCLUDING SUPERBOY, NEED THE FIRM GUIDANCE OF THEIR PARENTS TO LEARN RIGHT FROM WRONG!
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AS THE RECOLLECTIONS END, FOR DAD KENT AND SON, AFTER RETURNING FROM THE FATHER-AND-SON-BANQUET...
IF DAD IS THE FATHER OF THE YEAR, YOU'RE THE MOTHER OF THE YEAR, MOM!
AND YOU'RE THE SON OF THE YEAR, CLARK... THIS YEAR AND EVERY YEAR!
THE END